

# The Folsom Point



Northern Colorado Chapter / Colorado Archaeological Society

## Annual Holiday Party— Open Projector Night!

Dec 15 (Wednesday) - Social Time and Informal Program. Dinner is at **6:00 p.m.** and program starts when we finish eating in the basement room of Wild Boar Coffee, 1501 S. College, Fort Collins. Program: Bring up to 25 of your favorite archaeological/vacation digital (on a USB drive) or hard copy photos to share and talk about. Projector, screen, and PC computer will be available.

As in years past, please bring consider bringing either non-perishable food items or cash for donation to the Larimer County Food Bank.

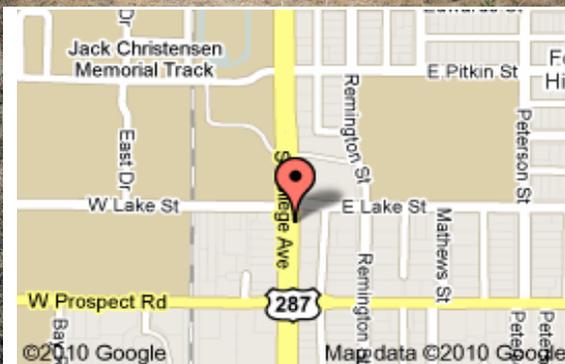
This program is **free and open to the public**. Please join us!



**Member Notice**  
**2011 NCC-CAS**  
**membership dues are**  
**payable in January.**  
**Include the member-**  
**ship form at the back**  
**of this newsletter with**  
**your payment.**

**Your dues help us support great speakers at the monthly meetings.**

*At left: Homestead survey on the USFS Pawnee National Grasslands. At right: Excavations at Kanarado off I-70. Photos courtesy of Lucy Burriss*



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**Next Meeting: Jan 19,**  
**Program: Meg Van Ness,**  
**Dept. of Fish and Wildlife**  
**Service, Region 7**  
**ethnobotany talk.**

### **Join Us for Social Time Before the CAS/NCC Meeting!**

All are invited to join us for dinner, appetizers, drinks (on your own tab)\* starting **6:00 pm** downstairs at Wild Boar Coffee, Fort Collins.

Our meetings are free and open to the public!

\* Please tell the cashier you are with CAS to save us a room charge.

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## PAAC Spring Class Announcement

Submitted by Dave Swinehart



Mark your calendars! The Spring 2011 Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification class will be **Archaeological Dating Methods** and run from **February 22 - March 22, 2011, Tuesday evenings 6:30-9:30**, location to be announced. This class was last offered by NCC-CAS almost 10 years ago, so don't miss it this time.

Overview: This class introduces students to many of the more common dating methods used or found in related literature. Most of the summarized dating methods may not be used with regularity in the field, but individuals should be informed about their existence, usefulness, and sample collection methods. The class will include past and present trends in the use of dating methods, plus current strategies

and methods.

See the PAAC website for a more details class outline: <http://www.coloradohistory-oahp.org/programareas/paac/classinfo/dating.htm>

Watch for registration information in upcoming newsletters.

Dave Swinehart, PAAC Coordinator

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## Statewide PAAC Schedule, Dec 2010

### December

\*2-21 .....Denver.....PAAC Laboratory Project

4-5 .....Colorado Springs.....Introduction to Laboratory Techniques

11-12 .....Gunnison.....Introduction to Archaeology, CAS, & PAAC

\*Lab project occurs on intermittent dates at the Museum Support Center in east Denver; call or e-mail Kevin Black/CHS for information.

Look for the full Spring Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification class schedule after January 1 at

<http://coloradohistory-oahp.org/programareas/paac/paacindex.htm>

# Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Ron Wemple

December 3, 2010

Account Balances			
Checking Account		\$2,792.79	
Includes: Kaplan-Hoover Funds			
Interperative Exhibit	\$879.08		
Exhibit Cases	\$3.75		
Greenacre Fund	\$1,933.60		
Coffin Site Grant	\$50.68		
Savings Account		\$54.12	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$2,846.91</b>
Individual Funds			
General - Checking and Savings		-\$20.20	
Less Kaplan-Hoover Funds and GF Fund			
and Coffin Site Grant			
Greenacre Scholarship Fund		\$1,933.60	
Kaplan-Hoover Funds		\$882.83	
Coffin Site Grant		\$50.68	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$2,846.91</b>



# News and Book Announcements

submitted by Bruce Wahle



Photo courtesy of Arizona Republic

- **Archaeology under Attack.** Somewhere out there, there's a modern Western explorer who decided he had something so important to say that it had to be slathered in silver paint on a remote rock wall full of ancient petroglyphs in the national forest. The mysterious etchings depicting people, animals and a blazing sun are in a box canyon known as Keyhole Sink in the Kaibab National Forest east of Williams, a mountain town off Interstate 40 that has welcomed sojourners since its namesake, fur trapper "Old Bill" Williams, explored the locale in the early to mid-1800s.

- **Crow Canyon Announces New Three-Year Project.** The new project shifts our focus in a number of ways: from the end of the ancestral Pueblo occupation to the beginning, from the final migration out of the region to the initial migration in, and from the best-understood period of ancestral Pueblo history to the least understood. The Basketmaker Communities Project: Early Pueblo Society in the Mesa Verde Region will focus on the earliest substantial period of ancestral Pueblo settlement in the Mesa Verde region, known as the Basketmaker III period (A.D. 500 -750), and will investigate where these initial settlers came from, what their society was like, and the ways these early farmers impacted a pristine environment.

<http://tinyurl.com/22m263c> - Arizona Republic

[http://www.imakenews.com/crowcanyon1/e\\_article001886894.cfm?x=b11,0,w](http://www.imakenews.com/crowcanyon1/e_article001886894.cfm?x=b11,0,w)

## News and Book Announcements (cont.) submitted by Bruce Wahle

- **Archaeologists Hunt Grave Robbers in Back-Country Arizona.** Grave robbers are looting Arizona's historic ruins at an alarming rate, according to archaeologists and investigators with the Tonto National Forest. "What they're doing out here is disrupting and in most cases destroying human remains while they're seeking out pots to sell," said Scott Wood, an archaeologist for the Tonto National Forest.

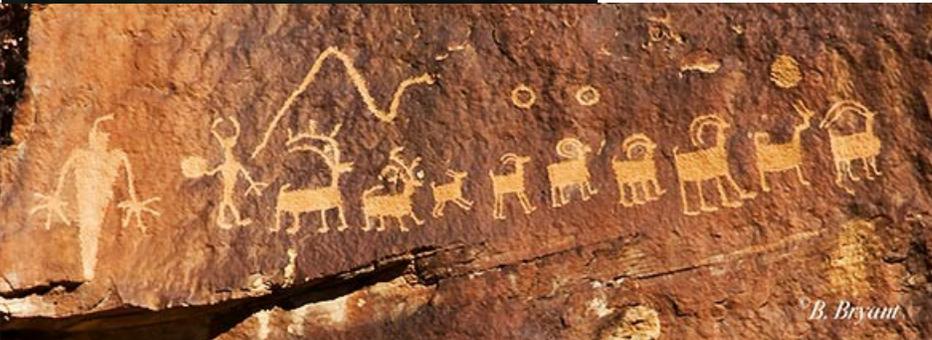
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- **Oil Drilling Company Donates Millions for Archaeological Preservation at Nine Mile Canyon.** A company embattled for years over drilling near Nine Mile Canyon is putting money on the table to help the cause of its former opponents. Tuesday, the Bill Barrett Corporation announced a commitment of several million dollars to preserve archaeological treasures and make them better known. The convoy was organized by seemingly natural enemies: archaeologists and drilling executives now working together.

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Photos courtesy of Nine Mile Canyon Coalition  
<http://www.ninemilecanyoncoalition.org/>



B. Bryant

- **Claims of "Genocide" Spark Debate over Evidence from Sacred Ridge.** Attackers with a deadly plan climbed a knoll to a Pueblo village called Sacred Ridge around 1,200 years ago. What happened next was anything but sacred. At least 35 people, roughly half of those living in the village, were brutalized, killed and sliced into thousands of small pieces. Fellow Pueblo from nearby villages battered victims' feet hard enough to break toes and fracture heels. Blows delivered with blunt weapons crushed the faces and heads of men, women and children. Scalps, and possibly eyes and ears, were removed, perhaps as trophies.  
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[cdarc.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=325da4675407ecc40a85a9db0&id=c623f0fd25&e=ce9487beb9](http://cdarc.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=325da4675407ecc40a85a9db0&id=c623f0fd25&e=ce9487beb9)
- **New Technique in Digital Photography may have Important Applications in the Study of Rock Art and other Scientific Applications.** Rock-art expert Sandra Olsen took GigaPan to Saudia Arabia to document that nation's outstanding examples of ancient petroglyphs with the help of photographer Richard T. Bryant. Working with the Saudi Ministry of Education, Olsen and her team are permanently documenting some of the world's most impressive rock art online. (See a GigaPan of rock art in France.) Petroglyphs are often found in remote or inaccessible areas, but GigaPan technology allows anyone to view them online with unprecedented detail. See a fantastic GigaPan photo of Petra at <http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2010/11/101112-gigapan-science-panoramas-technology/>

## Local and Regional Activities Compiled by Lucy Burris

- **Loveland Historical Society - Overland Trail Lecture**  
Monday, December 13, 7 pm, Loveland Museum/Gallery, 503 North Lincoln Avenue, Loveland, CO. Presentation of "Virginia Dale and the Overland Trail in Northern Colorado," by Wayne Sundberg. Info at <http://www.lovelandhistorical.org/calendar.html>
- **Denver Art Museum - King Tut Exhibit**  
Continues through Jan 9, 2011 at 100 W 14th Avenue Parkway, Denver. "Tutankhamun: The Golden King and the Great Pharaohs". Advance tickets required - weekday/weekend public admission approximately \$25-\$30, students with ID T-F,\$18.  
<http://www.tutdenver.com/>
- **Archaeological Institute of America, Denver Society - Public Lecture**  
Sunday, Jan 16, 2 pm, Tattered Cover Bookstore, 1668 16th Street, Downtown Denver, CO. **Kevin Black**, Acting State Archaeologist, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Colorado Mountain Archaeology. More info at <http://www.aiadenver.org/>.
- **Colorado Historical Society, 2010-11 Lecture Series -**

### Speaking of Colorado: This Land Through Time

Tuesday January 18: Scottish Rite Masonic Center at the corner of 14th Avenue and Grant Street, 1370 Grant Street. *Life in a Colorado Mountain Town at the End of the Ice Age*. Ongoing excavations of the Mountaineer site in Gunnison County have yielded one of the oldest communities in North America. On top of "W" Mountain, archaeologists have discovered substantial houses of Folsom hunters who lived in the Colorado mountains 10,400 years ago. Remains of the ancient architecture, stone tools, and animal bones bear witness to a lifeway and social organization once thought to be nomadic and austere, but seen at this site to be more settled and secure. Join **Dr. Mark Stiger** of Western State College in Gunnison as he reveals his analyses into how these Folsom pioneers conducted their daily lives. Tickets: For the eight-part series is \$45 for History Colorado members, \$60 for nonmembers. Individual lecture tickets are \$7 for members; \$8.50 for nonmembers. Information: call 303/866-4686 or [http://www.coloradohistory.org/programs/current\\_lectures/legends.htm](http://www.coloradohistory.org/programs/current_lectures/legends.htm).

## On-line Activities Compiled by Lucy Burris

- It's not too early to think about spring and summer volunteering. The Forest Service **Passport in Time** program has openings in February on trips in Texas, Georgia, and Utah. Go to <http://www.passportintime.com/> for information. Passport in Time (PIT) is a volunteer archaeology and historic preservation program of the USDA Forest Service (FS). PIT volunteers work with professional FS archaeologists and historians on national forests throughout the U.S. on such diverse activities as archaeological survey and excavation, rock art restoration, survey, archival research, historic structure restoration, oral history gathering, and analysis and curation of artifacts. The FS professional staff of archaeologists and historians are your hosts, guides, and co-workers
- Take any of three on-line tours around Fort Collins: The Foothills, The River, and The Plains at the "**Trails of Northern Colorado**" website: <http://www.fcmdsc.org/trails/home/about.html>. The project was funded entirely by a Preserve America grant from the U.S. National Park Service. Preserve America is a federal initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our priceless cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the program include a greater shared knowledge about the nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of our communities. At the web site be sure to check out "The Excavation of Lindenmeier: A Folsom Site Uncovered 1934-1940" booklet and watch the videos "Meeting the Center with Respect" and "Speaking History: The Soapstone Prairie Oral History Project".
- The CSU Anthropology Department offers several **on-line courses** through the Continuing Education Pro-

## Local and Regional Activities (cont.)

Compiled by Lucy Burris

gram. Check them out at <http://www.learn.colostate.edu/onlinedistance>. During Spring 2011 (beginning Jan. 18) Dr. Andrew Creekmore will teach AP140 Introduction to Prehistory, 3 credits \$239/credit. Look into signing up as a "guest" student (still get full credit) without applying to CSU. Schedule follows the CSU calendar but class activities execute on a weekly rather than daily schedule.

- Want to dig without getting dirty? —check out the Ar-



Photo courtesy of Fort Collins Ghost Signs Historic Context, p 48.

chaeology Institute of America's **virtual digs** at <http://www.archaeology.org/interactive/>. Watch videos at <http://www.youtube.com/ArchaeologyTV>.

- Now that the leaves have fallen, it's a great time to look for **Fort Collins' Old Town ghost signs**. Take a virtual tour by reading the "Fort Collins Ghost Signs Historic Context" at <http://www.fcgov.com/historic/preservation/pdf/ghost-signs-doc.pdf> and then take an on-the-ground tour to visit your favorites.

## Leadership Opportunities

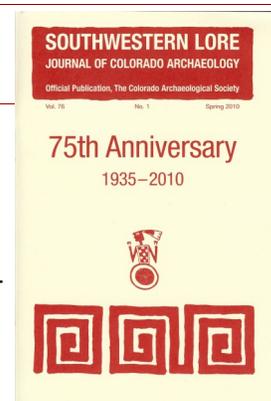
Submitted by Bev Goering

We encourage all members to help support our Chapter in any manner they can. If anyone is interested in serving as an officer, please let us know. Terms run from Jan-Jan. We really need a **Field Trip Coordinator** and a **Secretary**. We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all those who have contributed their time and resources to making this a successful year!

## Student Corner

Time is running out to buy a set of "Southwestern Lore" CD's for only **\$25**. As part of the CAS 75th anniversary, the Society is offering the full 4-cd set of "Southwestern Lore" to student members for only \$25 through 12/31/2010. The CD set includes pdf's of all journal contents from Volume 1, Issue 1 (June 1935) through Volume 70, Issue 4 (Winter 2004) plus an Excel file index. "Southwestern Lore" is not yet available electronically so access to back issues is limited outside of Colorado. Details at

<http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org/PUBLICATIONS/SouthwesternLore/swl.htm#SWL on CD>.



## Upcoming Conferences

- January 5-9, 2011 **Society for Historical Archaeology**, Austin, TX, <http://www.sha.org/>
- March 24-27, 2011 **Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Annual Conference**, La Junta, CO, <http://www.coloradoarchaeologists.org/>
- March 30-April 3, 2011 **Society for American Archaeology**, Sacramento, CA, <http://www.saa.org/>
- April 25-27, 2011 **Wyoming Archaeological Society Annual Meeting**, Sheridan, WY, <http://www.wyomingarchaeology.org/home.html>

# Northern Colorado Chapter Colorado Archaeological Society Membership Application

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby agree to uphold and abide by the [Code of Ethics](#) as a condition of membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) and the Northern Colorado Chapter.

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Membership type (check one): Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal  New Member Joining Jan-Jun  New Member Joining Jul-Dec

Renewal or New Member Joining Jan-Jun	New Member Joining Jul- Dec	Category
<input type="checkbox"/> \$26.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$13.00	Individual
<input type="checkbox"/> \$32.50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$16.25	Family
<input type="checkbox"/> \$18.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 9.00	Student (includes <i>Southwestern Lore</i> , must be currently en-
<input type="checkbox"/> \$18.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 9.00	Senior (does <b>not</b> include <i>Southwestern Lore</i> )
<input type="checkbox"/> \$22.50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$11.25	Senior Family (does <b>not</b> include <i>Southwestern Lore</i> )

Note: Renewals are due in January each year. New members joining after June 30 pay half the annual dues for the remainder of the year.

Donation to the [Greenacre Scholarship Fund](#): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to the Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS. Print this page, fill out the application, and send with your check to:

Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS  
P.O. Box 270738  
Fort Collins, CO 80527

Note: Your dues include concurrent membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society and the Northern Colorado Chapter, a subscription to the Chapter newsletter, the [Folsom Point](#), four issues of the journal *Southwestern Lore*, and four issues of the CAS newsletter, the *Surveyor*. The Colorado Archaeological Society is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization.



**To Join CAS/NCC or Renew Your Membership,  
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Visit [www.fortnet.org/casncc/membership/](http://www.fortnet.org/casncc/membership/)**





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## Colorado Archaeological Society Code of Ethics

- Members will uphold State and Federal antiquities laws and regulations.
- Excavation of archaeological sites will be conducted only according to professionally accepted procedures developed in consultation with a professional archaeologist and with the written permission of the landowner. The investigator has the responsibility for publication of the results of his/her investigation and for making the collection available for further scientific study.
- Members are encouraged to report archaeological sites to the Office on the State Site Report forms. Materials collected from the surface sites shall be catalogued and described in the site survey report. Collected materials should either be deposited with the State Archaeologist's office or made available for scientific study.
- Members will not support illegal or unscientifically conducted activities by participating in or condoning the sale, exchange or purchase of artifacts obtained from such sites.
- Members who exhibit artifacts will do so in an educational context. Items from burials and objects considered sacred will not be exhibited.
- Members will cooperate with the State Archaeologist and other agencies concerned with archaeology and related fields.
- Members will respect the dignity of groups whose cultural histories are the subject of archaeological investigation.
- Members will not participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit, or misrepresentation about archaeological matters.

